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16. (New) The device of claim 15, wherein at least one of said members comprises an elongate shape.

17. (New) The device of claim 15, wherein at least one of said members has a shape wherein a length is substantially greater than a width.

18. (New) The device of claim 15, wherein at least one of said members comprises a substantially circular shape.

19. (New) The device of claim 15, said members comprises an inner surface having a convex curved configuration toward the epicardial surface.

20. (New) The device of claim 15, having first and second members, wherein said first and second member are positioned in a spaced relationship relative to each other about 180 degrees apart.

21. (New) The device of claim 15, having a first member configured to be positioned adjacent the anterolateral surface of the chamber, and a second member configured to be positioned adjacent the posteromedial surface of the chamber.

22. (New) The device of claim 15, having a first member configured to be positioned adjacent the anterolateral surface of the chamber, and a second member configured to be positioned adjacent the posterolateral surface of the chamber.

23. (New) The device of claim 15, having first, second and third members, said first, second, and third members are positioned in a spaced relationship relative to each other about 120 degrees apart.

24. (New) The device of claim 23, wherein the first member is configured to be positioned adjacent the anteroseptal portion of the chamber, the second member is configured to be positioned adjacent the posteroseptal portion of the chamber, and the third member is configured to be positioned adjacent the posterolateral portion of the chamber.

25. (New) The device of claim 15, wherein at least one of said members comprises a pad.

26. (New) The device of claim 25, wherein the pad has an inner surface configured to be positioned adjacent the epicardial surface of the heart.

27. (New) The device of claim 15, wherein at least one of said members includes a pad portion.

28. (New) The device of claim 25, wherein the pad comprises a biocompatible material.

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3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 34, respectively, of U.S. Patent No. 6,190,408 issued on February 20, 2001. New dependent claims 16-18, 22, 25-33, and 35-39, while not identical to claims in that '408 patent, correspond substantially to subject matter of various dependent claims in the '408 patent, including at least dependent claims 2, 5, 8, 9, 13-18, and 35-39. New claims 15-39 are being presented for purposes of interference.

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